

28. (Amended) A method for the prophylaxis or treatment of a patient suffering from a dysfunction or disease condition arising from oxidative damage to the skin comprising topically administering to the patient in need thereof an effective oxidative damage-treating amount of a spin trapping compound in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier for topical administration.

35. (Amended) The method of any one of claims 28, 29, 32, 33 or 34 wherein the carrier for topical administration is an ointment or cream base.

### **REMARKS**

Claims 17-51 remain pending after amendment. Claims 17-27 are directed to non-elected subject matter and are withdrawn from consideration.

### **Claim Amendments**

By this amendment, claims 30 and 31 are cancelled. The limitations of claim 31 are incorporated into claim 28. The dependency of claim 35 is amended accordingly. No new matter is added by this amendment.